Docket No.: 249971US6CONT/tma

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Erich BAYER

SERIAL NUMBER: 10/790,126

GROUP: 2615

FILED: March 2, 2004

EXAMINER: LE, HUYEN D

FOR: OTOPLASTY FOR BEHIND-THE-EAR (BTE) HEARING AIDS

## REQUEST FOR PRIORITY ACKNOWLEDGMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119 AND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

MAIL STOP ISSUE FEE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. BOX 1450 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the Applicant(s) claim as priority:

 Country
 Application No.
 Month/Day/Year

 Germany
 299 18 139.1
 October 14, 1999

 Germany
 200 09 908.6
 June 2, 2000

This application is a <u>Continuation</u> of Serial No. <u>10/030,191</u>, filed <u>June 6, 2002</u>, which is a 371 of International Application No. <u>PCT/EP00/10109</u>, filed <u>October 2, 2000</u>, Certified Copies of the above corresponding Convention Application(s) were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application No. <u>PCT/EP00/10109</u>.

Respectfully Submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND, MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.

Gregory J. Marer

Registration No. 25,599

Joseph Scafetta, Jr.

Registration No. 26,803

Customer Number

22850

Tel. (703) 413-3000 Fax. (703) 413-2220 (OSMMN 03/06)